**Survey on the T. B., Blindness and Cancer in the Country**

1716. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to State:

(a) whether Government have made a survey so as to know the number of patients suffering from deafness, blindness, T. B. and cancer in the country and if so,to what are the details in this regard and to what extent the existing medical facilities are adequate to treat the affacted patients;

(b) whether it is a fact that the cost of medical care is beyond the reach of the poor in the villages; and

(c) if so, what steps are being taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) to (c) The findings of the surveys conducted by the Indian Council of Medical Research, New Delhi in respect of deafness, blindness, T.B. and cancer are given below:—

*DEAFNESS*—The Indian Council of Medical Research conducted a survey on prevalence and aetiology of hearing impairment at 4 centres, Calcutta, Madras, New Delhi and Trivandum from 1977 to 80. The prevalence of hearing impairment was found to be 19.7 percent in the rural and urban population. Chronic suppurative otitis media and presbyacusis were the major causes of hearing impairment.

*BLINDNESS*—The ICMR had conducted a sample survey in 1971-73 in different parts of the country to find out the number of blind persons in the country taking visual equity less than 6|60 with both eyes open as the criteria for blindness (i.e. inabality to count at.

T.B. For providing free diagnostic and treatment facilities to poor people in villages, District T.B. programme is being integrated with the General Health Services so that the facilities are available in the nearest health institutions of the rural population.

*CANCER*—Government have arranged to provide free treatment to the poor people in the villages through the Government recognised Hospitals and Regional Cancer Research & Treatment Centres.

**Drug policy-facade of Consultation**

1717. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to the editorial appeared in the issue of 4th April, 1987 of Economic and Political Review under the heading of "Drug Policy-Facade of Consultation";

(b) if so, whether it is a fact that category I drug list based on National Health Programme do not include number of drugs such as vaccines for immunisation programme, drugs for maternal and child health programme, oral rehydratic salts etc.;

(c) if so, who identified the list and on what basis;

(d) whether it is a fact that public announcement was made in December, 1986 that category I list of drugs will be comprised of drugs required for the control of diseases under National Health Programme;

(e) whether immunisation, maternal and child health programme, mental health programme are not covered under National Programme of his Ministry; and

(f) if so, how these important vaccines and drugs can be omitted?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (f) Category I drug list would include drugs needed for control of various diseases covered under National Health Programme. This list has not yet been finalised.

**Report of Chattopadhyaya Commission**

1718. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the answer to Uustarred Question 307 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 25th February, 1987 and state:

(a) whether the Chattopadhyaya Commission Report regarding the pay scales etc. of teachers has been examined;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether teachers are concerned over the long time being taken for taking a decision in the matter; and

(d) if so, whether the decision is likely to be announced soon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (d) The Government had appointed an Empowered Committee to examine the recommendations made by the National Commission on Teachers-I headed by Prof. Chattopadhyaya. The Empowered Committee has submitted its report to the Government. The report is under the consideration of the Government and final decision is expected to be taken soon.

**केन्द्रीय स्वास्थ्य सेवा औषधालयों के कर्मचारियों के बीच परिवार नियोजन इनाम का वितरण**

1719. **श्री राम नरेश कुशवाहा :**
**श्री सूरज प्रसाद :**

क्या स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री 3 दिसम्बर, 1986 को राज्य सभा में दिए गए अतारांकित प्रश्न 2976 के उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) ऐसे प्रभारी चिकित्सा अधिकारी कितने हैं जिन्होंने परिवार नियोजन के इनाम की राशि को अपने संबंधित औषधालयों के कर्मचारियों में बांटा है;

(ख) यदि हां तो केन्द्रीय स्वास्थ्य सेवा योजना के शाहदरा, लक्ष्मी नगर, गीता कालोनी और जी० के०जी० यमुना पार क्षेत्र स्थित औषधालयों के प्रभारी चिकित्सा अधिकारियों ने इनाम की राशि को अपने कर्मचारियों के बीच किस तरीके से बांटा, और

(ग) यदि इस राशि को बांटा नहीं गया तो प्रभारी चिकित्सा अधिकारियों द्वारा उस राशि को अपने पास रखने के क्या कारण हैं और चेरकार द्वारा इस संबंध में क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है ?

**मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री तथा स्वास्थ्य और परिवार कल्याण मंत्री (श्री पी० वी० नरसिंह राव):** (क) इन तीनों औषधालयों के प्रभारी अधिकारियों ने इनाम की राशि को अपने कर्मचारियों में बांटा है ।

(ख) ये इनाम परिवार कल्याण के कार्य का प्रचार करने और उसे बढ़ावा देने में उनके कर्मचारियों के योगदान/कार्यनिष्पादन के अनुसार बांटे गये हैं ।

(ग) ऊपर (ख) में दिए गए उत्तर को देखते हुए यह प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।